

LARGE SCHOOL DEFENSIVE MVP

HUSTON WILHITE

INOLA | SENIOR

- Recorded 6 interceptions, returning 3 for touchdowns, establishing himself as one of the county's most dangerous ball-hawking defensive backs.
- Added 22 total tackles from the secondary while providing reliable coverage support across the field.
- Broke up 4 additional passes, combining with his interceptions for 10 total passes impacted on the season.



SMALL SCHOOL DEFENSIVE MVP

SAWYER McCOMB

CCS | SENIOR

- Produced 60 total tackles, including 34 tackles for loss and 10 sacks, dominating opposing backfields as Claremore Christian's primary defensive disruptor.
- Forced 4 fumbles and recovered 1, consistently creating turnover opportunities through pressure and penetration.
- Led the Warriors' front with elite backfield production, finishing among the county leaders in both tackles for loss and sacks.

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE



DEMETRIUS CUMMINGS,
DL
CLAREMORE | SOPHOMORE

Cummings recorded 34 tackles, including 18 tackles for loss and 4 sacks, emerging as Claremore's most disruptive young front defender while consistently penetrating backfields.



OWEN ELLIS, DL
INOLA | JUNIOR

Ellis registered 45 tackles and 8 sacks with 2 forced fumbles and 1 recovery for Inola, establishing himself as one of the Longhorns' top edge rushers and a constant backfield threat opposing offenses often schemed away from.



TROY FRANK, DL
CCS | SENIOR

Frank totaled 27 tackles but dominated backfields with 15 tackles for loss and 7 sacks, also recovering 3 fumbles including 1 returned for touchdown for Claremore Christian's defense throughout the season.



CALEB HELLING, DL
INOLA | SENIOR

Helling recorded 36 tackles with 8 tackles for loss and 3 sacks for Inola, also intercepting 2 passes returned for touchdowns while forcing 3 fumbles and recovering 2 during a turnover-filled defensive season.



LANDON KING, DL
CLAREMORE | SENIOR

King posted 48 tackles with 16 tackles for loss and 6 sacks for Claremore, leading the Zebras' front in consistent backfield disruption and providing strong pressure against both rushing and passing attacks all season.



WILL ROGERS, DL
VERDIGRIS | SENIOR

Rogers recorded 75 tackles with 10 tackles for loss and 4 sacks for Verdigris, serving as the Cardinals' primary edge defender and producing steady backfield pressure and run support throughout the defensive season.



BRENNAN LAWLEY, LB
INOLA | SENIOR

Lawley totaled 71 tackles with 7 tackles for loss for Inola, also intercepting 3 passes and breaking up 5 others while adding 1 fumble recovery during a versatile, coverage-heavy defensive season for the Longhorns.



BLAKE MCCUAN, LB
CLAREMORE | SENIOR

McCuan recorded 67 tackles with 13 tackles for loss and 1 fumble recovery for Claremore, also blocking and returning a punt for touchdown in the playoffs during a productive and impactful defensive season.



**VIRGIL PENDERGRAFT,
LB**
FOYIL | SOPHOMORE

Pendergraft amassed 110 tackles with 14 tackles for loss and 6 sacks for Foyil, also recovering 2 fumbles while serving as the Panthers' leading defensive presence.



TANNER REED, LB
CHELSEA | SENIOR

Reed recorded 77 tackles with 14 tackles for loss for Chelsea, adding 1 interception, 5 forced fumbles and 2 recoveries while also blocking 5 extra points during an all-phase defensive season.



KOLBEY SANDERS, LB
FOYIL | SOPHOMORE

Sanders produced 12 tackles for loss and 6 sacks for Foyil, also intercepting 2 passes and recovering 4 fumbles while serving as a turnover-creating backfield disruptor throughout the Panthers' defensive campaign.



DANIEL SNIPES, LB
CCS | SENIOR

Snipes recorded 74 tackles with 38 tackles for loss and 4 sacks for Claremore Christian, leading the Warriors' defense in backfield disruption and consistently producing negative plays against opposing rushing attacks.



ORASIO FLORES, DB
FOYIL | SENIOR

Flores totaled 65 tackles with 6 tackles for loss and 2 sacks for Foyil, also intercepting 3 passes while providing aggressive run support and coverage production in the Panthers' secondary.



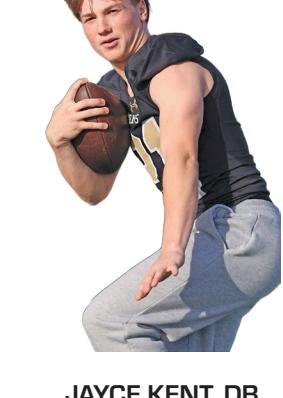
AYDEN GAINES, DB
OOLOGAH | JUNIOR

Gaines recorded 25 tackles with 3 interceptions, returning 1 for touchdown, and 2 fumble recoveries and another score for Oologah, producing multiple turnovers and impact plays from the Mustangs' secondary during the season.



DEVIN JOHNSON, DB
CATOOSA | JUNIOR

Johnson recorded 101 tackles with 6 tackles for loss and 1 sack for Catoosa, adding 2 interceptions and 1 fumble recovery while serving as the Indians' leading tackler from the secondary.



JAYCE KENT, DB
INOLA | FRESHMAN

Kent recorded 38 tackles with 3 interceptions, including 1 returned for touchdown, and 1 fumble recovery for Inola, adding 4 pass breakups during a highly productive first varsity defensive season.



HAYDEN LEE, DB
CLAREMORE | SENIOR

Lee recorded 62 tackles with 3 tackles for loss and 1 sack for Claremore, intercepting 5 passes and recovering 1 fumble while leading the Zebras' secondary in turnovers and coverage production. Also had a punt-return TD.



MASON WEEKS, DB
SEQUOYAH | JUNIOR

Weeks recorded 32 tackles and intercepted 6 passes for Sequoyah, also recovering 2 fumbles while leading the Eagles' secondary in takeaways and providing consistent coverage production throughout the defensive season.

CO-COACHES OF THE YEAR



BRETT THOMAS

INOLA | 3RD SEASON

Thomas guided the Longhorns to a breakthrough 2025 season, earning a 9-3 record while leading a team that won seven-straight games and hosted its first home postseason contest since 2016 and won its first playoff game since 1994.



JARRETT HURT

CLAREMORE | 10TH SEASON

Hurt led a senior class that won 28 games over three varsity seasons, tying the most wins in school history for a three-year span. The Zebras [8-4] hosted a playoff quarterfinal for the first time since 1994, with the class reaching semifinals and multiple quarterfinals.

